Initial Approval: April 8, 2015

CRITERIA FOR PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

Oralair® (Sweet Vernal, Orchard, Perennial Rye, Timothy, and Kentucky Blue Grass mixed pollens allergens extract)

PROVIDER GROUP Pharmacy

Professional

MANUAL GUIDELINES The following drug requires prior authorization:

Sweet Vernal, Orchard, Perennial Rye, Timothy, and Kentucky Blue Grass mixed pollens allergens

extract (Oralair)

CRITERIA FOR ORALAIR: (must meet all of the following)

Patient must have a diagnosis of grass pollen-induced allergic rhinitis

- Patient must have a positive skin test or *in vitro* testing for pollen-specific IgE antibodies for any of the five grass species contained in the product (Sweet Vernal, Orchard, Perennial Rye, Timothy, and Kentucky Blue Grass)
- Patient must be between the ages of 10 and 65 years old
- The first dose must be given under the supervision of a physician and monitored for at least 30 minutes
- Patient must be prescribed auto-injectable epinephrine
- Treatment must begin at least 4 months prior to onset of each grass pollen season
- Patient must not have a diagnosis of severe, unstable or uncontrolled asthma
- Patient must not have a history of eosinophilic esophagitis

LENGTH OF APPROVAL: 9 MONTHS

Notes:

- The common grass pollen season starts in the spring and remains throughout the summer
- The grasses contained in Oralair® includes Sweet Vernal, Orchard, Perennial Rye, Timothy, and Kentucky Blue Grass